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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

| In re Application of: |) | · |
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| HIROKI KISHI | ; | Examiner: Not Yet Assigned |
| Application No.: 09/851,559 | ; | Group Art Unit: 2613 |
| Filed: May 10, 2001 | ; | |
| For: CODING DEVICE, CODING METHOD AND STORAGE MEDIUM | ; | August 6, 2001 |

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the following U.S. Applications:

| APPLICATION NO. | FILING DATE | GROUP ART UNIT |
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| 09/702,764 | 11/01/00 | 2621 |
| 09/793,538 | 02/27/01 | 2621 |
| 09/818,560 | 03/28/01 | 2621 |
| 09/842,155 | 04/26/01 | 2621 |

A copy of each cited Application is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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